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Lt. Governor Kinder Renews Call to “Help Heat Mo”

Joins agency in call for money for energy assistance

JEFFERSON CITY – Lt. Governor Peter Kinder today joined more than 100 representatives of Missouri’s Community Action Network to call on legislators to approve critical financial assistance for low-income Missourians.

“Nearly three months ago, I created the “Help Heat Mo” initiative to lobby the governor and legislature to act early in providing critical heating assistance for families who are in need,” said Lt. Governor Kinder, Missouri’s Official Senior Advocate. “Though our efforts met roadblocks, I am proud to join Missouri’s Community Action Agencies in their request for \$10 million in supplemental funding for heating assistance.”

Lt. Governor Kinder joined representatives from the Community Action Network in October of last year to launch the “Help Heat Mo” website at www.HelpHeatMo.com. The website provides information on heating assistance and tips for weatherizing your home.

The Missouri Department of Social Services has requested \$7 million for the Utilicare program. Missouri’s Community Action Agencies, facing increasing requests for assistance, have asked for an addition \$3 million in weatherization funding. Missouri’s weatherization programs have continued to reduce energy usage and costs for Missourians.

Low-income Missourians can find more information on heating assistance and weatherization programs by visiting www.HelpHeatMo.com.

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